

9 September 1969

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Accident Involving a Member of the Soviet
Commercial Mission in Bogota

1. At 9:00 p.m. on 30 August 1969, Mr. Valerij Petrovich Gorshkov, a member of the Soviet Commercial Mission in Bogota, lost control of his car on a highway north of and heading into Bogota. The car overturned several times and was completely destroyed. Gorshkov suffered only bruises.

2. Miss Aleida Devia Umana, a Colombian who was employed as a secretary with the Ford Foundation in Bogota, was in Gorshkov's car at the time. She was killed instantly in the accident.

3. Two local Colombian musicians who had been offered a ride by Gorshkov and who also were in the car at the time of the accident were injured slightly.

4. Gorshkov had taken Miss Devia shopping on the afternoon of 30 August in Bogota and then to dinner at a restaurant outside of Bogota. When they were ready to return to Bogota, Gorshkov offered a ride to two musicians from the restaurant, Elias Botero Henao and Jorge Antonio Ospina.



5. After the accident, Gorshkov was taken to a hospital where he was tested for drunkenness. According to newspaper reports, he registered "first degree" on the drunk scale. Gorshkov was permitted to leave the hospital in the company of two unidentified members of the Soviet Embassy but was scheduled to appear before the police on 1 September.

6. The funeral for Miss Devia was held on 1 September. No Soviets attended the funeral.

7. A neighbor of the Devia family stated that Miss Devia was seen frequently in the company of Gorshkov and there were rumors that she was his "girlfriend." The



8. Gorshkov is married and his wife resides with him in Bogota.

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1. (Secret - JGO) Met with Colonel James Brower, in the office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Legislation, and received from him copies of exchange of Department of Defense correspondence concerning chemical-biological warfare agents (see Memorandum for the Record).

2. (Secret - JGO) Met with Mrs. Oneta Stockstill, House Armed Services Committee staff, and reviewed with her the updating of security clearances on herself and other members of the Committee staff. Appropriate documentation on Mrs. Stockstill was completed. Mrs. Stockstill advised that in keeping with the present positions similar clearance updating should be provided for Doris Scott and Louise Ellis. Office of Security has been advised.

25X1C 3. (Confidential - JGO) In response to his request of yesterday, provided to Mr. Jay Sourwine, Chief Counsel, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee. [REDACTED]

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25X1A 4. (Internal Use Only - LLM) Responded to the call of Donald Gordon, in the office of Representative J. Irving Whalley (R., Pa.), who had requested the telephone number of [REDACTED], Office of Medical Services, in connection with the application of [REDACTED]. In fact, Mr. Gordon wished to express the Congressman's interest on behalf of [REDACTED] for the external consultant position we had suggested to the Doctor when we advised him that we did not have a full-time position available. Based on the advice of Personnel and [REDACTED] I told Gordon that we were processing [REDACTED] for the external consultant position and we were writing to the Doctor to this effect. Gordon was happy to hear this and requires nothing further from us.

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25X1A 5. (Confidential - JMM) [] General Counsel of NSA, called to say he had been in touch with the Defense Department regarding queries from Senator Symington's Subcommittee of Senate Foreign Relations Committee, asking a number of probing questions about U.S. contingency plans involving foreign countries, etc. According to [] General James F. Lawrence Deputy Assistant to the Secretary for Legislative Affairs (in the absence of Assistant Secretary Stempler) has referred these sticky problems to Warren Nutter, Assistant Secretary ISA, and his Special Assistant, Stuart French. [] feels that these queries levied on the DOD, together with those levied on NSA (see Journal of 9 September) pose serious security and jurisdictional problems and may warrant the attention of the DCI so far as the intelligence community is concerned. [] promised to keep me informed of any more specific information on the subject he can pick up. I told [] that the Director was seeing Senator Symington today and if anything of direct concern to NSA emerged from this conversation, I would let him know.

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6. (Secret - JMM) In a brief conversation with Miss Dorothy Fosdick, Staff Director of the Senate Subcommittee on National Security and International Operations, Bruce Clarke and I told her of recent developments regarding SS-9 deployment and a new Soviet aircraft.

7. (Secret - JMM) Accompanied Mr. Bruce Clarke who briefed Senator John Sherman Cooper and his Administrative Assistant, Bill Miller, on the strength, deployment and state of readiness of Warsaw Pact forces in Eastern Europe and Western USSR. The Senator had requested the briefing in connection with a report he is preparing for the NATO Parliamentarians.

8. (Confidential - GLC) Called Mr. Daniel Costello, on the staff of Representative James Hanley (D., N.Y.), and advised him as to the religious preference of the former contract employee in whose case the Congressman is interested. (See Memo for the Record of 8 September.)

9. (Confidential - GLC) In response to his earlier inquiry, I advised Jay Sourwine, of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee staff, that the Allman whom he wished to identify appeared to be Ted Allman who at one time worked for the Bangkok Post and more recently worked as a stringer for the New York Times.

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